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SUBJECT: NORTH/SOUTH DIALOGUE MINI-SUMMIT IN KINGSTON

REF: KINGSTON 3105

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: THE KINGSTON MINI-SUMMIT UNTIL NOW SCHEDULED

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FOR MAY 27-28 IS COMING APART. MID-JULY BEING DISCUSSED AS NEW
DATE. EFFORTS WILL BE MADE BY PM MANLEY WHEN HE IS PRESENT AT
CANAL TREATIES CEREMONY IN PANAMA MID-JUNE TO CONVINCE
PRESIDENT CARTER TO PARTICIPATE. END SUMMARY.

2. AT DUTCH NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION LAST NIGHT THE CANADIAN AND
BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONERS AND THE FRG AMBASSADOR TOLD

ME THAT THE MINI-SUMMIT FOR MAY OR JUNE IS OFF AND THAT MANLEY IS TRYING TO SALVAGE IT FOR LATE IN YEAR, PERHAPS MID-JULY AS NOW BEING SUGGESTED BY TRUDEAU.

3. ACCORDING TO CANADIAN HICOM, TRUDEAU WROTE TO MANLEY ADVISING HIM THAT HE CANNOT GET AWAY ON A WEEKEND (MAY 27-28) BECAUSE OF ELECTIONEERING AND SUGGESTED THAT THE SUMMIT AS CURRENTLY BEING SET UP IS "ILL-CONCEIVED AND ILL-TIMED". HE RECOMMENDED POSTPONEMENT UNTIL MID-JULY AND SUGGESTED IT WOULD GIVE MANLEY MORE TIME FOR PLANNING AND TO ATTRACT A GREATER NUMBER OF KEY HEADS OF GOVERNMENT.

4. ACCORDING TO FRG AMBASSADOR, SCHMIDT JUST AS HAPPY THAT TRUDEAU HAS FOR ALL INTENT AND PURPOSES SCUTTLED THE MAY 27-28 SUMMIT BECAUSE GIVEN THE ABSENCE OF CERTAIN KEY HEADS OF GOVT. (SUCH AS PRESIDENT CARTER), HE CONSIDERED MEETING WOULD BE NON-PRODUCTIVE.

5. NIGERIAN HEAD OF GOVT. SET AS CONDITION FOR HIS ACCEPTANCE OF INVITATION TO THE MAY SUMMIT THAT MEETING MUST INCLUDE A LEAST ONE MID-EAST COUNTRY AND AT LEAST ONE EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRY. MANLEY REPLIED THAT HE WANTED TO KEEP THE DIALOGUE IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND THEREFORE COULD NOT ACCEPT THAT CONDITION.

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6. MANLEY HAS NOT YET FORMALLY CALLED OFF THE MAY 27-28 MEETING. RECIPIENTS OF THIS TELEGRAM THEREFORE SHOULD NOT JUMP THE GUN IN ADVISING ANY OF THEIR HOST COUNTRY OFFICIALS WHO PLANNED TO ATTEND THAT MEETING. IRVING

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